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Release Notes

This document describes the new and modified features for Con-nect/Con-form Version 3.3.3. It consists of the following sections:

- Installation
- New Features and Enhancements
- Corrections

Con-nect GUI

Numerous enhancements and corrections have been made to Con-nect GUI version 1.1.3. This version will be available in English, German, French and Spanish. It will be released with the Entire Screen Builder version 5.1.1. A preliminary version of the Con-nect GUI documentation is provided with the Con-nect documentation.

Installation

This section provides the following information:

- Prerequisites
- Natural
- Cabinet Address/Description Default Fields
- Con-nect SNADS
- Transport Service for Execution under Complete or in Batch Mode

Prerequisites

Adabas must be installed so that it is possible to display the documents in a cabinet in descending alphabetical order (i.e. page backwards). The required Adabas version is dependent upon the Natural version running on your system. For further information, see the *Natural* documentation.

Pre- and post-formatting procedures can no longer contain STOP statements.

Natural

If OUTPUT 'CONNECT' is defined either in conjunction with a Con-nect system whose selected printer is CONNECT, or an application with the Natural statement DEFINE PRINTER (n) OUTPUT 'CONNECT', the Natural load library module NATPCNT must be linked to the Natural nucleus.

Printer files 1 through 8 should be defined in the NTPRINT macro. Otherwise, you have to define printer files 1 through 8 dynamically in the Natural parameter PRINT.

Cabinet Address/Description Default Fields

When upgrading or re-installing your Con-nect environment, all error messages are reloaded. This means that if your Con-nect Adminstrator has renamed the Cabinet Address/Description default fields "Sex" and "Internet", they will be reset to the default settings during the upgrade. It is important that the Con-nect Administrator is contacted so that these fields can be renamed again via error message 0130.

Con-nect SNADS

At the time this documentation went to print, the EntireX Broker Services still supported the VIEWCALL interface used by the CICS APPC Facilities. However, no further enhancements will be made. For further information, contact your Software AG EntireX Broker Services customer support representative.

Transport Service for Execution under Complete or in Batch Mode

As an alternative to the LU6.2 API that uses the Natural VIEW COMMUNICATE-LU62, you can now use the LU6.2 ACI. It uses the EntireX Broker ACI interface programs to map requests to LU6.2 verbs, which helps reduce the network traffic. For further information, contact your Software AG EntireX Broker Services support representative.

New Features and Enhancements

This section provides the following information:

- Administration
- End-User Functions
- Utilities
- Application Programming Interface

Administration

Cabinet Maintenance - User Profile

You can now print a list of users who sent a reply to a mail item.

You can now specify that the names of the system folders (e.g. Inbasket and Outbasket) are translated into the language that has been defined in the "Language code" field.

You can now specify that the time range in which a mail status message is to appear will not be shown when the mail status message is displayed.

External Mail Nodes

You can now display a list of all spool file records that have occurred in the last 1 - 60 days. These records displayed can be spool file method records, Con-nect Teleservices log records, Con-nect SNADS text and log records, transport service text and log records, dummy and text records and special synchronous records.

User Address

The fields "Sex" and "Internet" can now be renamed by the system administrator (for example, to "Salutation" and "Comments") via error message 0130. Changes to this error message are applied to all cabinets.

End-User Functions

Mail

A new message has been added to inform you when an mail item is not sent to an addressee.

When you send a mail item to user A and user A forwards the mail item onto user B, you can now send the same mail item to user B.

Send Defaults

New options have been added to the send defaults. You can now specify that the mail status messages of other users are not to be shown when you select the addressees for a mail item. When you send a document, you can now specify whether attached notes and cover notes are to be sent with the document, or not.

Address Management System

The address management system now indicates that a mail status message has been activated by a selected addressee. You can now display a list of only those addressees who have activated a mail status message.

The screen for the address management screen has been revised. Now it contains the following columns:

• Cmd

You can mark this column with DI to display the address of a user or cabinet (including transport service addressees).

You can mark this column with UN to remove an addressee from the list (it is no longer possible to use X for this purpose).

Type

Use this column to specify the mail type (C, B or P).

Distribution Lists

When adding, displaying or modifying a distribution list, it is now possible to display the members sorted by last name (in addition to sorting them by user ID). It is also possible to display only those members who have activated a mail status message.

When a list of members is displayed for a distribution list, it is now possible to display the user address of a member, including mail status message.

When displaying a distribution list, the date and time when this distribution list was created and last modified are now shown.

Inbasket and Outbasket

When you issue the UNDO command with a mail item where one of the addressees has already read the mail item, a window appears now asking whether you want to undo your mail to all local addressees who have not yet read the mail item.

You can now display the address for users and cabinets.

You can now copy the address of a user or cabinet to your personal address book.

A new column named "Reply" is now available:

Inbasket

In the "Contents of Folder Inbasket" screen, one of the following characters can be displayed in the "Reply" column:

*	You have sent a reply.
?	You have created a reply, but it has not yet been sent.

Outbasket

In the "Contents of Folder Outbasket" screen, an asterisk (*) in the "Reply" column indicates that you have received a reply to this item.

Documents

It is now possible to copy cover notes and attaches notes with a document.

Meeting

It is now possible to create a new agenda directly from the "Add Meeting" screen. The Con-nect editor is invoked and you can type the text of your agenda.

When you specify a start date and ending date and then search for free time, the field "within Daily Time Range" (which appears when you press ENTER) is now marked by default so that Con-nect searches only the daily time range which has been entered in the "Time" fields.

When searching for free time, Con-nect now handles time slices consisting of five minutes (in previous versions, only full quarters of an hour were handled).

In the "Calendar Occupancy" screen, a lower-case x is now displayed, for example, when only 5 minutes (and not a full quarter of an hour) are occupied.

A window containing the update/cancelation message now appears automatically when you display an invitation for a modified/canceled meeting in your Inbasket or when you display a modified/canceled meeting in your calendar.

The following applies when you issue the ADDRESS command with a meeting: when an attendee has accepted after having declined (or vice versa), the date of this action is now shown. The current status is always shown at the beginning of the line. The information in parentheses applies to the attendees first decision.

The following applies when an attendee issues the MODIFY command with a meeting: the attendee can now send a reply after the meeting has been added to his calendar.

Appointment

It is now possible to create a new agenda directly from the "Add Appointment" screen. The Con-nect editor is invoked and you can type the text of your agenda.

Search Facility

When searching via keywords, the screen containing the search result now provides more commands in the command prompting line.

Bulletin Board

You can now display the address of the sender by marking an item on the bulletin board with AD. When the address is displayed, you can then issue the COPY command to copy this address to your address book.

User Address

The fields "Sex" and "Internet" may appear with different names at your site (for example, with "Salutation" and "Comments"). This depends on your system administrator.

User Profile

You can now print a list of users who sent a reply to a mail item.

You can now specify that the names of the system folders (e.g. Inbasket and Outbasket) are translated into the language that has been defined in the "Language code" field.

You can now specify that the time range which a mail status message is to appear will not be shown when the mail status message is displayed.

PF-Keys

When you have modified the PF-key set "Menu", a window appears now asking whether you want to copy the modified PF-key assignments to the PF-key set "List of Objects". When you have modified the PF-key set "List of Objects", a window appears now asking whether you want to copy the modified PF-key assignments to the PF-key set "Menu".

Forms

When displaying a form, you can now decide whether to display all predefined addressees or only those predefined addressees who have activated a mail status message.

Utilities

B99220 - Copy Menu PF-key Set to List of Objects

This new utility checks the PF-key sets "List of Objects" and "Menu" in the specified cabinet(s). If PF-keys with different assignments are found, all PF-keys in the PF-key set "List of Objects" that have different assignments in the PF-key set "Menu" are replaced with the PF-key assignments of the PF-key set "Menu".

Application Programming Interface

Local Data Area

Local data areas for all API subprograms are now supplied in the library SYSCNT2. They are provided for your convenience. Each local data area begins with the prefix "L-" and is followed by the corresponding API subprogram name. Thus, L-ADD05 is the local data area for the API subprogram Z-ADD05. The fields in a local data area have the same names as the parameters that have been used in the English documentation. The level structure is the same in all local data areas. Thus, it is possible to use more than one local data area at a time. To call a local data area, you just have to use its name with the DEFINE DATA LOCAL statement in your API subprogram.

Subprograms for Con-nect Text Retrieval and the Transport Service

The description of an API subprogram no longer lists the subprograms that are called when Con-nect Text Retrieval or the transport service is installed. These subprograms are now listed in the section **General Information** of the Application Programming Interface documentation.

New API Subprograms

The following new API subprograms are available:

Z-DIS11A

Display a list of documents with information on replies.

Z-MLGETC

Return the mail status message of a specific user, the time range in which it is to appear, whether date and time are to be hidden, and Cc information.

Z-MOD05L

Modify the mail status message in the user profile of a specific cabinet, including Cc. The time range can be hidden.

Z-MOD05M

Modify the language code, system folder names, default command sequence, blank substitute character and autosave interval in the user profile of a specific cabinet. Cabinet-ISN uses format P10.

Z-STIME5

Return a list of time ranges in which all or most of the specified attendees and/or cabinets are available. Uses time slides consisting of 5 minutes.

Modified API Subprograms

The lists of subprograms provided with the documentation of the API subprograms have been updated.

The following API subprogram has been modified:

Z-UNDO

If you want to undo mail to all addressees who have not yet read the mail item, you can now specify "-1" in the parameter Address-index.

Corrections

This section provides the following information:

- End-User Functions
- Utilities
- Application Programming Interface
- Con-form

End-User Functions

Calendar

Search for free time for a new version of a previously accepted meeting also now includes the time reserved for the last version.

Info Meeting now displays the correct version number for meetings that were created with previous Con-nect versions.

Date/time in update messages for a meeting are now displayed correctly when using multilingual systems.

Various corrections have been made to the "Meeting Update Message".

The Check Calendar function now handles the from/to date information correctly when either the Position or Top command is issued.

Paging backward in the calendar is now displayed correctly.

If more than twelve versions of a meeting exists, selecting the "Display history" field no longer returns Natural error 1316.

Forms

Difficulties encountered with the "Address" screen and message handling while using the Send or Modify Form function are now corrected.

User Profile

Modifications to the "Printer Profile" field in the "Print Defaults" window or in the "Specify Printer Output Options" screen are now saved.

A time format greater than 1 is no longer accepted in the "Date and Time Formats" window.

User-Defined PF-Keys

User-defined PF-keys now work correctly.

Utilities

Rename Cabinet

Restart of the "Rename Cabinet" utility now applies the Max Allowed Renaming Time correctly.

Print Document Content

When this utility is called in batch mode with a non-existing folder, the program no longer prints all documents for that cabinet.

A list of all addressees is now printed with this utility.

Application Programming Interface

Z-DIS13A

Error NAT1108 no longer occurs when a REINPUT command is used after calling this API.

Z-PRI11

Error NAT0082 no longer occurs.

Con-form

Problems have been solved in the following areas:

- Internal Slot Error
- Fatal Report Output Failure

Internal Slot Error

If internal slot error 124 occurs, you are now notified that your work pool is too small with Natural message NAT5124. All other instances of an internal slot error (121, 122, 123, or 125) now results in Con-form ending abnormally with NAT5343.

Fatal Report Output Failure

If NAT5335 occurs, the following subcodes from the Natural interface are now returned:

0	No error from NATIO
1	Parameter error
2	Invalid function code
3	No printer table
4	Output pending for add. printer
5	Error INIT printer table TR02
6	Eject for report 0 needed
7	Return code from CMPLER
10	Page overflow
11	Attribute overflow
12	Line overflow
13	Invalid attribute

If you require additional assistance, please notate the subcode and contact your Software AG support representative.